CITY OF ALAMO HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL April 15, 2009

A special meeting/work session of the City Council of the City of Alamo Heights, Texas was held at the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG), 8700 Tesoro, Suite 700, Conference Room 165, San Antonio, Texas, at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2009.

Present and composing a quorum were: Mayor Louis Cooper Mayor Pro-Tempore Jill Souter Councilman Stan McCormick Councilman Bobby Rosenthal Councilman Bill Kiel Councilwoman Susan Harwell

Also attending were:

City Manager Rebecca Waldman

City Attorney Mike Brenan

Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Shawn P. Eddy

Assistant to City Manager/Information Technology Manager Marian Ramirez

Finance Director Cynthia Barr

Community Development Director Ann McGlone

Human Resource Manager/Deputy City Secretary Judith E. Surratt

City Secretary Jennifer Reyna

Fire Chief Bill Hagendorf

Police Chief Rick Pruitt

City Manager Rebecca Waldman opened the meeting at 8:48 a.m.

Community Development Director Ann McGlone presented the Draft Comprehensive Plan to the City Councilmembers. Ms. McGlone presented the major ideas that were gathered from the neighborhood meetings in the fall as well as the Design Workshop. Ms. McGlone discussed the following topics: Open Space/Green Space; Walkability/Connectivity; Preservation of Resources; Public Realm/Private Realm; Infrastructure and Economic Sustainability.

Ms. McGlone stated that the Comprehension Plan will guide City Council in decision-making and provide the basis for zoning, building, and capital improvement plans.

Ms. McGlone stated that the Comprehensive Plan, once adopted, will be available via CD as well as on the City's website. If someone is interested in a printed copy they will be sold at the cost of printing.

Neighborhood meetings are scheduled on April 28th through April 30th at City Hall, 6120 Broadway.

Sylvan Hills	April 28	5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Bluebonnet Hills	April 28	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Patterson/Cambridge	April 29	5:00-6:30 p.m.
LaJara	April 29	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Madeline/Monclair	April 30	5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Cottage District	April 30	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

The Comprehensive Plan is scheduled for public hearings at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on May 4th and City Council meeting on May 11th, and for action by the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 18th and City Council on May 26, 2009.

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Mayor Cooper announced a break at 11:38 a.m.

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Mayor Cooper reconvened the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

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City Attorney Mike Brenan joined the City staff, City Councilmembers and citizen to discuss the Open Meetings Act. Mr. Brenan reminded the City Councilmembers and staff of formation and purpose of committees, deliberations, staff briefings, and quorum issues.

Briefly discussed were the procedures of the City Council meetings.

City Manager Rebecca Waldman asked if the City Councilmembers wanted to change assigned council committees or to keep their assigned committees. Current committee assignments are as follows:

- Governance and Communication Mayor Louis Cooper and Councilman Bobby Rosenthal
- Infrastructure and Services Councilman Bill Kiel and Councilwoman Susan Harwell
- Neighborhood Character and Commercial Revitalization Councilman Stan McCormick and Mayor Pro Tem Jill Souter
- Accountability and Management Mayor Pro Tem Jill Souter and Councilman Bill Kiel

- Facilities Committee Mayor Louis Cooper, Mayor Pro Tem Jill Souter, and Councilman Bill Kiel
- Alamo Heights Independent School District Liaisons Mayor Pro Tem Jill Souter and Councilwoman Susan Harwell
- Advisory Review Group/Board and Commission Nominations Committee Mayor Louis Cooper, Mayor Pro Tem Jill Souter, and Councilman Bill Kiel

City Councilmembers requested that staff send them a list of committees and the purpose of each. It was suggested that the City Councilmembers formalize the committee appointment process.

This portion of the work session was concluded at 1:30 p.m.

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City Manager Rebecca Waldman opened the discussion of the Strategic Action Plans at 1:30 p.m.

There were discussions about the Mission Statement, Vision, Core Values and Goals. The City Councilmembers recommended changing the order of Core Values, to read Safety, Service and Integrity. Councilman Bill Kiel suggested to remove "in rank order".

Department Directors individually provided updates on the FY 2008/FY 2009 Strategic Action Plan, respectively to their department. In addition, suggestions were made regarding new projects for FY 2010.

Copies of the FY 2008, FY 2009 and proposed FY 2010 Strategic Action Plan are made part of the papers of this meeting.

Mayor Cooper adjourned the meeting/work session at 3:42 p.m.

Louis Cooper

Mayor

City Secretary